

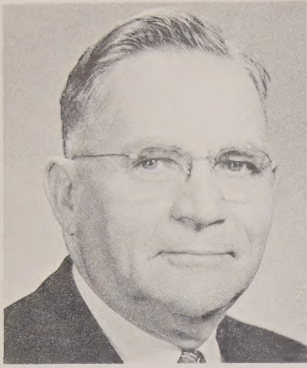
“...FEAR NOT, FOR
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OF GREAT JOY WHICH
SHALL BE TO ALL PEOPLE...”

-Luke 2:10





A CHRISTIAN CHRISTMAS

by the late **W. T. Gaston**

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Merry Christmas!

The busy world is again being charmed and heartened by these magic words. They are upon the lips of young and old, saint and sinner. They are an essential part of the advent season, an afterglow of the impact of that first Christmas declaration, "Peace on earth, good will to men." This happy salutation, however, will not suffice to drive away the clouds from the earthly horizon of those who are neglecting or rejecting the Christ of Christmas. It is an arresting thought that though God's love-gift was to "all people," only a few were prepared to receive it. A few wise men were guided to the unmarked stable, and a few unnamed shepherds hidden among the Judean hills were thrilled with the angelic enunciation, a Simeon and Anna, connected with the great temple services; but the great cities of Jerusalem, Athens, and Rome remained dark and silent. Even so today we may have Christmas all around us and still remain insulated against the warm current of Christ's love.

What then are a few of the essentials of a Christian Christmas? The very first, in my opinion, is personal heart response. The very soul and spiritual content of the Christmas message can be expressed in one word — love. God so loved . . . that He gave His only begotten Son. Every lost son and daughter of fallen Adam could truthfully say with one who called himself the chief of sinners, "He loved me and gave Himself for me." The only proper response to this so-love of God is beautifully expressed for us by the beloved disciple, "We love Him because He first loved us." Any other approach to infinite love revealed at Bethlehem and Calvary is not a response but a rejection.

Worship is another attribute of a Christian Christmas. "When he bringeth in the first begotten into a world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him." Oh, that we might capture the spirit that filled the air and pervaded shepherds, wise men, and angels on that happy natal day until our hearts would ring out the happy refrain: "Glory to God in the highest." May it well and swell and dwell in our hearts.

Another thing that seems to inhere in the true spirit of Christmas is giving. The wise men presented gifts. Ever since, the urge to give is renewed with the approach of the holy season, in the home, in the church, and to the farthest outreaches of the world. Selfless giving is inspired in the hearts of those who rightly interpret Bethlehem, Calvary, and Olivet.

Millions of little hearts are beating faster as the birthday of our Prince Immanuel draws near. It seems but yesterday that I was an eager boy counting the days and then the hours until at last with wide-eyed wonder, I could pull the last bit of crinkly paper from the sock beside the glowing fire on Christmas morning. Children in those days were not conditioned to costly presents, but they were happy nonetheless.

I think it is a beautiful thing for parents everywhere to conspire together to make the children happy, not only those in our sheltered homes, but reaching out in love to children less fortunate.

It can be safely said that when we come to understand the hallowed truths that cluster about the Babe of Bethlehem, we will never again be indifferent to the appeal of childhood. All life becomes more meaningful in the light of that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested unto us.

In conclusion, I would inquire with one of old, "What can we render unto Him for all His benefits," His unspeakable gift and the "all things" that are ours with Him? The poet put into song the beautiful and appropriate sentiment that I trust we fully share: "More love to Thee, O Christ, More love to Thee." And shall we not go further and include more devotion to the brotherhood of saints and more grace and power to tell the world of this so great salvation?

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THE VIRGIN BIRTH

By
Ralph M. Riggs

Genesis 3:15 is called the "Proto-evangelium" (the first form or expression of the Gospel). It is all prophecy in a nutshell. "I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head and thou shalt bruise his heel." Here, in embryo, are predictions of the first and second coming of Christ and also of the Virgin Birth, "the woman's seed." How important must this doctrine be to be enunciated in the very garden of Eden and the only prophecy included in the prediction of the two comings of Christ.

Isaiah (Isa. 7:14) also declared plainly, "Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel" (which being interpreted is, God with us, Matt. 1:23). Isaiah went on to say, "His name shall be called . . . Mighty God. (Isa. 9:6) This virgin-born child was to be God-with-us, the Mighty God Himself. Possibly Jeremiah also referred to this Virgin birth when he said, "The Lord hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man." Jer. 31:22. In Micah's prediction of Bethlehem as the birthplace of the Messiah, he referred to "The time that she which travailed hath brought forth." Micah 5:23.

It is no surprise then to find that "when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman." Gal. 4:4 The writer of Hebrews indicates the supernatural birth of Christ by recording "a body hast thou prepared me." Heb. 10:5 But the full detail is given us in the narrative of His birth as given in Matt. 1:18, 20 ("with child of the Holy Ghost", "That which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost".) And in Luke 1:31, 34, 35, "Thou shalt conceive in thy womb and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus." "Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." In this manner the "Word was made flesh and dwelt

among us", made in the likeness of sinful flesh." John 1:14; Romans 8:3. How more definite and clear could these statements be? Jesus was born of a virgin without a human father for he was the Son of God.

But this is not just a historical fact. It is a theological fact and the foundation of Christian doctrine. The divine incarnation of Christ is the only satisfying explanation, and it is the true and complete explanation of His miraculous life and miraculous deeds. The mystery of the marvelous character, the profound ministry and the supernatural works of Christ all disappears in the light of His incarnation. There is no marvel or miracle when we are told of His divine birth. Only God could be what He was and do what He did. But He was

God. God's Son. That explains it all.

The crowning feature and purpose of Christ's mission and ministry on earth was His Atonement for the sins of the world. He was born to die and His sacrificial death was His supreme accomplishment. Matt. 20:26. But His vicarious death would not have been effectual had He not been virgin-born, the Son of God. Only God could have purchased the redemption of the whole world by His death. God had to become man to die and man had to be God to redeem mankind by His death. He is our God-man, Redeemer.

We hail the virgin birth of Christ, for by it we have our wonder-working Teacher, our amazing Example, our wonderful, sufficient Saviour.

Bells of Bethlehem

By Harriet Wilson

FROM A TOWER over the Church of the Nativity, again this Christmas, bells will peal out the message, "Christ is born!" Short wave radio will pick up and broadcast the glad news over all the world.

The story was first told nearly two thousand years ago. Israel, struggling to keep peace with her conqueror, pagan Rome, had almost forgotten to look for the promised Messiah. Even Bethlehem was too busy housing the out of town taxpayers to give more than a passing glance to the carpenter Joseph and his young wife Mary. No room was found but in the stable.

Far to the east a brilliant star appeared and wisemen followed its lights to Bethlehem. Out on a hill-side watching their flocks by night, Palestinian shepherds were startled by the angelic messenger. It was the angel of the Lord.

"Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy . . ."

The shepherds found Him as the angel said, in a manger. Centuries before the prophet Micah foretold His coming.

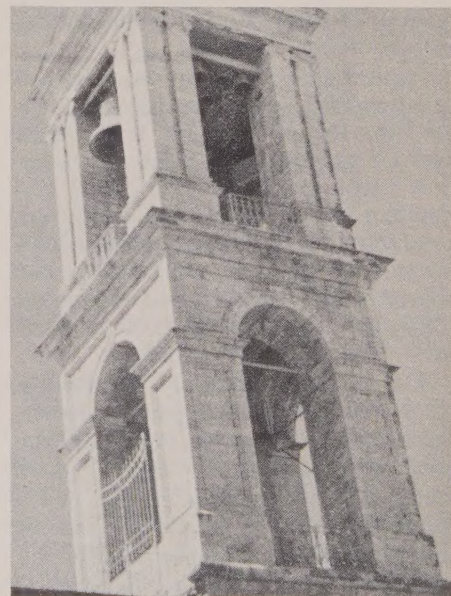
"Thou, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of thee shall come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel . . ."

So He was found in Bethlehem in a manger. There a cattle stall became a shrine simply because He once was sheltered there.

Who would have predicted such a future? Who could have known that he, the Son of God, born as a man,

was to be the Savior of the World? Only those who watched for Him. Joseph called His name Jesus. Mary said, "Behold the handmaiden of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy

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BELL TOWER
CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY — JERUSALEM

Christmas

Greetings

—From—

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph L. Gerhart

—From the—

District Officers

and from the

District Office Staff

1962

Santa Cruz, California



4 **CAPITOL SECTION SS WORKERS HOLD LEADERSHIP CLINIC**

Approximately 200 Sunday School workers gathered at Bethel Temple, Sacramento for their annual Leadership Clinic under the direction of sectional Sunday School Representative, Carl Oney. The featured speaker was Thomas Hernandez, the Sunday School Director for the Latin American churches.

Capitol section is only one of our sections that conducted a clinic for leaders. October is set aside each year by the District Christian Education Department for clinics of this type for each section. The clinics are conducted by the Sunday School Representative and his committee. The objective of these clinics is to inspire, challenge and instruct our nearly 4000 Sunday School workers.

The Capitol Section Leadership Clinic had sessions for pastors, superintendents, secretaries and all age level groups in the Sunday School.

It is felt that the Leadership Clinics conducted by the sectional Sunday School Representatives in conjunction with the District Christian Education Department is training strong leaders for a strong church.

Stewardship Headlines Emphasis on Youth Training by S.S. and C.A.s

National and district divisions of the Christ's Ambassadors and Sunday School Departments have teamed together for a special youth training emphasis during 1963. During the entire year the spotlight will be on stewardship—a study involving every area of life.

Kicking off the emphasis will be a study of the new youth-slanted book on stewardship, "What's Mine . . ." Written by C. A. Herald Editor, Dick Champion, the book shows teen-agers in their language what is involved in Christian stewardship.

Studies of the book will be conducted both in local C. A. groups and in sections of area-wide workers training courses across the country in January. C. A. groups conducting the course earn full credit on GOAL step 6—Bible Training. Teen-agers taking the

course in workers training, and fulfilling the usual requirements for workers training credit, will receive workers training certificates from the National Sunday School Department.

Instructors helps for the course are included in a 30-page section of the first quarter, 1963, C. A. Guide. These helps are set up so the book can be covered in five lessons. Many suggestions for visual aid which can be easily prepared and for simple object lessons are also included in the Guide.

Each student and the teacher, of course, should have a copy of the textbook, "What's Mine . . ." It is available for 75c a copy from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield Missouri. The first quarter, 1963, C. A. Guide, containing the instructors materials, is also available from the Gospel Publishing House for 45c a copy.

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HAS IT EVER MATTERED MORE?

This question is pertinent to our generation. Certainly none of us have lived in days that mattered more. Let us be sure we are living for something definite. Live for God in the spirit of Romans 12:1-2 and you will be living on purpose.

Crises are testing times. They test sincerity, reality, faith and loyalty. They winnow the wheat from the tares. They require of a person that he search his heart and ask: "What after all is worth dying for?" The question is more important than most of us realize. No one will fight who does not feel his cause is worth dying for? Morale is the final winner. Faith is the important thing.

Do you say that Christ and His cause is worth dying for? You answer well. It is the spirit of the martyrs which made your faith possible. But remember, what is worth dying for is worth living for. Let us not wait for the martyr's moment of death. Let us rise up today and face the Christian's hour of life. Let us arise to a person and say: "Christ is worth living for in these times."



SHARE IN THE MINUTEMAN PROGRAM

	APPROX. MEMBERSHIP	SECTIONS SHARE	PLEGDED	CASH PAID FEB.-JULY
Butte	511	\$2,000	\$ 210	\$ 335.00
Capitol	1,996	6,800	4,861	1,769.20
Central San Joaquin	1,575	5,200	580	615.35
Coast Counties	1,054	3,600	2,500	2,834.19
Contra Costa	409	1,400	445	143.90
East Bay	1,499	5,100	2,002	1,425.00
Lake Berryessa	496	1,700	515	155.00
Lake-Mendocino	299	1,000	235	76.00
Lassen-Plumas	187	700	100	20.00
North Bay	401	1,400	412	174.50
Northern Nevada	125	400	-0-	5.00
North San Joaquin	976	3,400	236	77.00
Peninsula	2,655	9,000	3,737	2,392.60
Redwood	592	2,000	542	170.75
Sacramento Valley	621	2,100	110	50.00
Shasta	204	700	100	-0-
Sierra Nevada	258	900	574	122.83
South San Joaquin	780	2,700	337	57.00
Miscellaneous				328.59
TOTAL				\$10,751.91

'Action Mandatory'

New Year's Eve will mark the beginning of the third annual "Action Mandatory" campaign sponsored by the Men's Fellowship Department. Action Mandatory is a three-month soul winning crusade that spotlights the responsibility of each man to win a soul to Christ. The 1963 emphasis will be, "Winning Men at Work." Action Mandatory is designed to undergird the pastor's evangelistic ministry and bring a renewal of the evangelism responsibility to the men of the church.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. J. G. Garland passed away after a brief illness on October 18th in Hayward. Rev. and Mrs. Garland have a host of friends in this District where they have ministered for many years. Mrs. Garland is the mother of one of our own District missionaries. Mrs. Ruth McCollister of Honolulu, Hawaii. We extend sincere sympathy to the Garland family.

Dr. Lucena E. Turner went to be with her Lord on October 30th in Los Angeles. She was 82 years of age. Mrs. Turner was a member of this District for many years and served as Dean of Women at Glad Tidings Bible Institute for a short time.

DISTRICT REVIVALTIME REPORT

Joseph L. Gerhart, Representative

Churches Giving Largest Offerings during September 1962

(Includes Church and personal offerings)

Elko, Nev., A/G	\$142.31
Lodi, First A/G	127.00
Las Vegas, Trinity A/G	82.50
Modesto, Central A/G	80.00
Crescent City, A/G	74.00

Total offerings during September—\$2,136.39

Churches giving most - Jan. - Sept. 1962

Lodi, First A/G	\$943.00
Crescent City, A/G	610.00
Turlock, Bethel	534.00
Hayward, Bethel	400.13
Modesto, Bethel	320.00

New donors in September
Point Arena, A/G

Has your church sent an offering in 1962 for this great gospel outreach? Send offering to Revivaltime, P.O. Box 72 Springfield, Missouri, stating church and church address so proper credit can be given. Offering received by December 31 will be credited to 1962 giving SO SEND TODAY. God bless you.

Church

News



SEBASTOPOL—

Pastor Richard Jeffers reports a two-week meeting with Evangelist Sam Klein of Sacramento. Many were saved, healed and seven or more Baptized with the Holy Spirit. A man of 83 years was saved and instantly healed of paralysis of the right side. Brother Klein's messages were preached with much anointing of the Spirit.

TAFT—

First Assembly of God recently enjoyed a splendid KID'S KRUSADE under the leadership of Norman and Loretta Kaupanger of Santa Cruz. Their musical numbers, puppetry, magic, Bible Stories and dedicated emphasis on seeking God on the part of the children in the services was greatly appreciated. We commend them highly to all needing such ministry.

6 Pastor Leonard Palmer also reports special services with Evangelist Doug Payne of Olive, California.

SANTA CRUZ—

First Assembly of God has just completed three weeks of services with Evangelist Gladys Pearson. Old time Pentecost has been the outstanding theme of these meetings, and the church has experienced a tremendous move of the Spirit. Pastor Kenneth Short expresses the thrill of seeing so many gathered together each morning for the prayer services.

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA—

Trinity Temple was dedicated on October 28th with Superintendent Joseph L. Gerhart conducting the official ceremonies. Evangelist G. W. Hardcastle, Jr., conducted a series of special services. Pastor Wilbur H. Wacker cordially invites anyone visiting in the Las Vegas area to stop by and visit the new facilities in their new location at 1000 East St. Louis Avenue.

RED BLUFF—

Bethel Temple was the scene of a missionary service for the United Church Women of the City on November 2. On the same night, the entire church family enjoyed a pot-luck dinner marking the end of a spirited Sunday School contest and honoring Mr. Cecil Harland who has served the Sunday School as Superintendent

for the past ten years. Mrs. Joseph L. Gerhart was guest speaker for both of these occasions. James A. Benney is the pastor.

SANTA CRUZ—

Craig Chapel congregation witnessed the dedication of Judith Kay Asmuth on November 4. She was given in dedication by her parents DCAP and Mrs. Stephen Asmuth, and Reverend Joseph L. Gerhart performed the ceremony. Leslie Holdcroft is the pastor.

PACIFIC GROVE—

First Assembly of God celebrated their official groundbreaking service with Superintendent Joseph L. Gerhart in charge. The new facilities will provide the Assembly with much needed space for growth and will be located across the street from their present property. Pastor Dennis Davis and the congregation are hoping to be in the new quarters within six months. Jeffrey Dennis Davis, infant son of Pastor and Mrs. Davis was dedicated to the Lord by Brother Gerhart during the morning service.

WILLITS—

Presbyter George McQueen reports a fine Fellowship Meeting of the Lake-Mendocino Section. Rev. Doss was the evening speaker.

OAKLAND—

First Assembly concluded a successful missionary convention on September 30th. Outstanding team members were Bernard Johnson, a District Superintendent of our Assemblies of God work in Brazil, Alfred Perna, Field Secretary of Italy, Wheeler Anderson, veteran missionary and teacher from Ghana, and Donald McMurray, new missionary appointee to Malaya.

Two special features were the celebration of "Christmas in September" with two Christmas "money" trees, and a "burning flame" torch which grew as money and pledges were offered to the missions budget of the church.

Pastor Paul Schoch, who recently, along with Mrs. Schoch, returned from a foreign missions speaking tour, states that this year surpassed all others with approximately \$26,400 gathered for missions.

CHICO—

Mrs. Lonnie Decker, pastor of Pleasant Valley Assembly has recently visited her daughter and family in the Netherlands where her son-in-law is with the American Embassy. Mrs. Decker writes that she has ministered in some of our churches in Holland and Germany and visited our Bible School in Erzhausen.

WELLS, NEVADA—

The newest Assembly of God church in Nevada is located in the northeast corner of the state at Wells. The first Sunday service was held May 27, 1962, in the old Mormon church which has been leased for a year with an option to buy.

Hubert L. Haynes had been assisting in the home missions church in Elko, Nevada, and was encouraged by the pastor, Harold Smith, to start the church in Wells.

In June, Pearl Trumbly and Bertie McCoy held special services in which two were saved and in August, Carroll Turner conducted a Children's Crusade at which time several expressed a desire to accept Christ as their Saviour. On September 7, 1962, Miss Turner moved to Wells to assist as Director of Christian Education.

In preparation for Sunday School Enlargement Month the entire town of Wells was canvassed. Two hundred and forty homes were contacted and given the special Outreach issue of the Pentecostal Evangel. No one was home at 94 of the places contacted and 40 of the home appear to be prospects. These 134 homes will be reached through the follow-up program.

Of those found home the following information was obtained regarding Wells residents: 27% prospects, 20% Presbyterians, 20% Mormons, 20% Catholic, 6% Episcopalian, .3% Church of Christ, 3% not interested, 1 Seventh Day Adventist, 1 Jehovah's Witness and 1 atheist.

The Sunday school now has four classes and started out the Sunday School year with 25 in attendance October 7.

Wells Assembly has an active Christ's Ambassadors group and is organizing a Women's Missionary Council.

By following up the 40 families of prospects Wells Assembly of God plans to reach many with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Greater Europe Mission

The Rev. Robert P. Evans, founder, Greater Europe Mission: "Europe still has fewer foreign missionaries than the city of Hong Kong or the island of Haiti."

Dr. Bela Udvarnoki, past president of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Budapest: "Despite their inflection of cruel persecutions, the Russians discovered that although they could confiscate or destroy church edifices, disorganize churches, disseminate anti-religious propaganda, and even exile or kill religious leaders, they could not eradicate religion itself. They discovered what the free world already knows—that man is incurably religious."

Msgr. Bele Varga, chairman, Hungarian Committee: "There are no more independent churches — Protestant or Catholic—left in the Communist-dominated country of Hungary. Bishops have been stripped of their administrative functions and the 'real boss' is the State Office of Church Affairs. The Communists are 'cracking down' on the Churches in an all-out war on religion."

Figures released by the Interdenominational Foreign Association indicate more than \$170,000,000 was contributed to Protestant foreign missions last year.

Other data included in IFMA's Missions Annual—1962 shows a total of more than 28,000 foreign missionaries sent out in 1961. The Southern Baptist Convention sent out the most missionaries (1,468) and had the largest budget (\$16,475,780).

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Paul Sorensen, Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada missionary, served as interpreter for the Billy Graham Crusades in Latin America during September and October.

LUTHERAN COMMISSION STUDIES 'SPEAKING TONGUES'

Minneapolis, Minn.—About two dozen pastors and several hundred laymen of the American Lutheran Church have reported "speaking in tongues" experiences. A denominational commission is now studying "these reported manifestations of the Holy Spirit's power", according to an article in the ALC organ, *The Lutheran Standard*, published at Minneapolis.

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From Round



THE WORLD

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR, C.A.—

"At long last we have a house and have gotten all of our things out of customs. It was a month after we arrived before we found a house to rent that wasn't too expensive and still had 3 bedrooms and a driveway for the pickup and camper.

"We have already started in our itinerating work with the pastors and the churches and are finding tremendous opportunities for increase if we can get workers enough." . . . Arthur & Jane Lindvall.

RALPH and JEWYL WILLIAMS—

"We are preparing for a change of field of ministry . . . This does not mean that we are changing our ministry; we are still definitely 'missionaries under appointment', but will be working in an official capacity with our Latin American brethren in the Eastern Spanish District of the U.S.A. This field will include two hundred and forty-five churches so, evidently, our return to the U.S. will not be in the nature of a furlough! We will need your prayers and spiritual support as never before . . . also, we shall need your continued support through your pledges. We know we can depend upon you now as we have in the past."

PUNALUR, S. INDIA—

Thirty-one students gathered on June 4th for another term at Bethel Bible School where they attend classes five days a week. Their evangelistic efforts on Mondays and Thursdays in the homes and in the street meetings bring them back often after dark when their hearty singing can be heard over the compound. After the lights are out it is not unusual to hear them praying into the night hours. On Fridays you could hear their prayers all through the night as they find their way to the prayer room to seek God and intercede for others." . . . Lydia Graner and Mildred Ginn.

MAUI, HAWAII—

Sister Thelma Simpkins writes from the Children's Home, "Thank you for your offerings sent in for

the Home . . . since its beginning we have taken in 43 children. All of the children are in school at present. They love the Lord and pray and memorize the Scriptures . . . We are planning on a larger fire-proof building to accommodate at least 20 children besides staff and storage. Please pray for this need . . . We need new strength in our daily work also."

RADIO—

Curacao: Trans World Radio, formerly Voice of Tangiers now broadcasting from Monte Carlo, plans to erect the world's most powerful Christian radio station on the Netherlands Antilles island of Curacao.

EDUCATION—

Nigeria: The Assemblies of God in Nigeria, Iboland district, has opened the denomination's first high school in Africa. Built and supported by Africans, the secondary school has opened its doors to 83 students for the first year of study. An enrollment of 500 is expected.

Jerusalem: For the first time, Christian religious instruction will be conducted next term in Israel's Arabic high school system for its Christian students.

West Germany: Some 1,000,000 West German children regularly attend Sunday School held by approximately 50,000 volunteer teachers. The observation was made by officials at the annual conference of the Association for Sunday School Work of the Evangelical Church in Germany. More than 1,500 Sunday School teachers assembled in Frankfurt-on-Main for the conference.

RUSSIAN PENTECOSTALS IMPRISONED FOR ACTIVITIES

Moscow—Four Pentecostal leaders were sentenced to prison terms for allegedly "criminal activities" in the town of Rustavl in the Soviet Republic of Georgia. The four were charged with telling their followers to read nothing but the Bible and not to listen to the radio or join the Soviet Army. Three of the men received four-year sentences; the other got five years.

This Is My Life-300 A.D.

By **Glenda Ellenwood** — Watsonville C.A.

I AM A SCRIBE. My name is not important. My occupation is one of honor. I have helped in copying the four Gospels and Acts in one volume. This will be the first one of its kind for the book of Matthew alone uses up 35 feet of papyrus roll.

We are now using vellum to write upon, which is made from the skins of calves and antelopes. They are very careful in choosing the cleanest and most perfect animals to skin. The skins are cut into sheets and the sheets are sewn together side by side. The length ranges from a few feet to 100 or more feet. The rolls are usually 18 to 27 inches high.

We must use a very special recipe for our black ink. It is made from soot and gum diluted with water. We always wear an inkhorn at our side which is a cask of wood or horn. It consists of a long tube for reed pens and a cup at the top for ink.

Our pens are made from the hollow stalk of the course grass or reed. The dried reed is cut diagonally with a knife and the point is shaved until it is flexibly thin. Then the point is split. The last operation, a skillful one, is clipping of the point—making it a stub pen. We always carry our knife with us.

We have important rules that must be followed carefully.

1. Each column shall have no less than 48 lines and no more than 60

lines.

2. Do not write from memory. Copy every letter from the original manuscript.

3. Pen must be wiped clean each time before writing, "God."

4. Before writing "Jehovah" scribe must take a bath.

5. If one mistake is made the page must be destroyed.

6. If three mistakes are made the whole manuscript must be destroyed.

7. Every letter must be counted. Manuscript will be condemned if there is one extra or one less letter.

Our rules are for perfection which is as God's Word must be. I am a scribe . . . one of God's servants.

NOTE: The kind of writing the scribes in that day did was called *Uncial* which was: all capital letters, no punctuation marks and no spaces between words such as:

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A Busy Christian's Prayer . . .

Slow me down, Lord!

Ease the pounding of my heart by the quieting of my mind.

Steady my hurried pace with a vision of the eternal reach of time.

Give me, amidst the confusion of my day, the calmness of the everlasting hills.

Break the tension of my nerves and muscles with the soothing music of thy singing streams that live in my memory.

Help me to know the magical, restoring power of sleep.

Teach me the art of taking minute vacations, of slowing down to look at a flower, to breathe a prayer, to chat with a friend, to pat a dog, to look up at the sky.

Help me to take time to love people, and appreciate them; to thank them, to compliment them, to remember that today is the only day I shall ever have, and to live in the Eternal now.

Remind me each day of the fable of the hare and the tortoise, that I may know that the race is not always to the swift; that there is more to life than increasing its speed.

Slow me down, Lord, and let me begin living!

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Bethany Bible College Initiates Missionary Day

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. — The student Body of Bethany Bible College, Santa Cruz, California instituted a new trend in missionary efforts at the college when they initiated Missionary Day, October 11. This day is set aside in early Fall of the school year to spark off the Missionary perspective for the students.

The Rev. Willard Cantelon, internationally-known evangelist, was secured as missionary-evangelist for the first Missionary Day. In the morning Chapel hour, the Rev. Cantelon pointed out that to many professing Christians, the Cross of Calvary was merely a symbol, serving only to remind all of the event that took place almost 2,000 years ago. This is not the true significance of Calvary. "The Cross must needs be an experience," he stressed to the students. "Then a compelling burden for the lost will come," he continued.

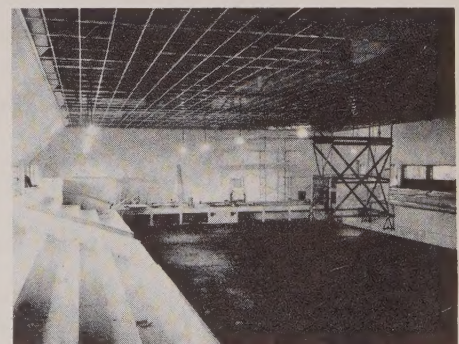
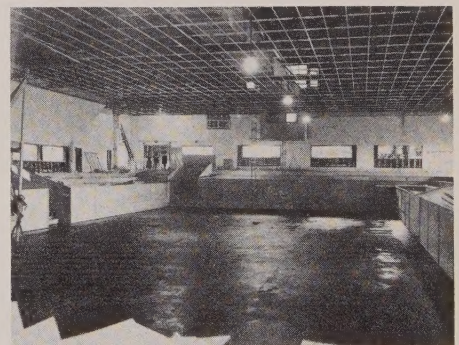
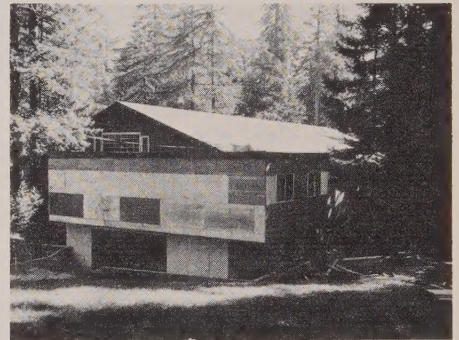
In the evening meeting, the Rev. Cantelon told the audience of his inner struggles with God: "Is it right for the native of Burma who spends 3 years, 3 months, and 3 days of continued prayer in a three-foot cubical among the rock grottoes to be lost while the Christian in America who seldom spends an hour each day in prayer to be saved? It is just for the successful businessman of India who gave up riches for poverty in search

of eternal life to be lost, while the Christian who retains 90% or even 70% of his income for himself to be saved?" The entire congregation was overcome by a solemnity ordered of the Lord, a time when all searched their hearts.

The climax of the day came when, during the period of solemn silence, the Rev. Cantelon asked for faith pledges in response to a previously presented budget for Missionary activities during the school year of \$7,000. With scarcely any emphasis upon giving, the student body responded. Within fifteen minutes, the results were tabulated. The proposed budget was exceeded. \$9,273 in faith pledges, payable in 18 weeks, were received. This represents an average contribution of \$27.44 per student.

Included in the proposed budget were: monthly commitments to missionaries totaling \$90 per month for 12 months; the Spring Missionary Convention expenses; a \$2,000 major Missionary Project; honorariums for missionary speakers each week; Missionary Internship for three students at \$500 each; minor Missionary projects such as the American Bible Society, Speed-the-Light, Home Missions, Deaf Work, plus others; and operational expenses for the Missionary Department.

1. A stairway breaks the sharp descent to the tabernacle.
2. A large radio room has been added above the tabernacle foyer. Eventually, as funds are received, this room will house the controls for the auditorium loudspeaker system. It will also allow students to originate radio broadcasts from the college campus.
3. The remodeling project is 65% complete. Note the bleachers, the lengthened windows, the acoustical tile ceiling frames, and the level floor. This picture was taken from the platform.
4. Looking from the front of the auditorium toward the platform.



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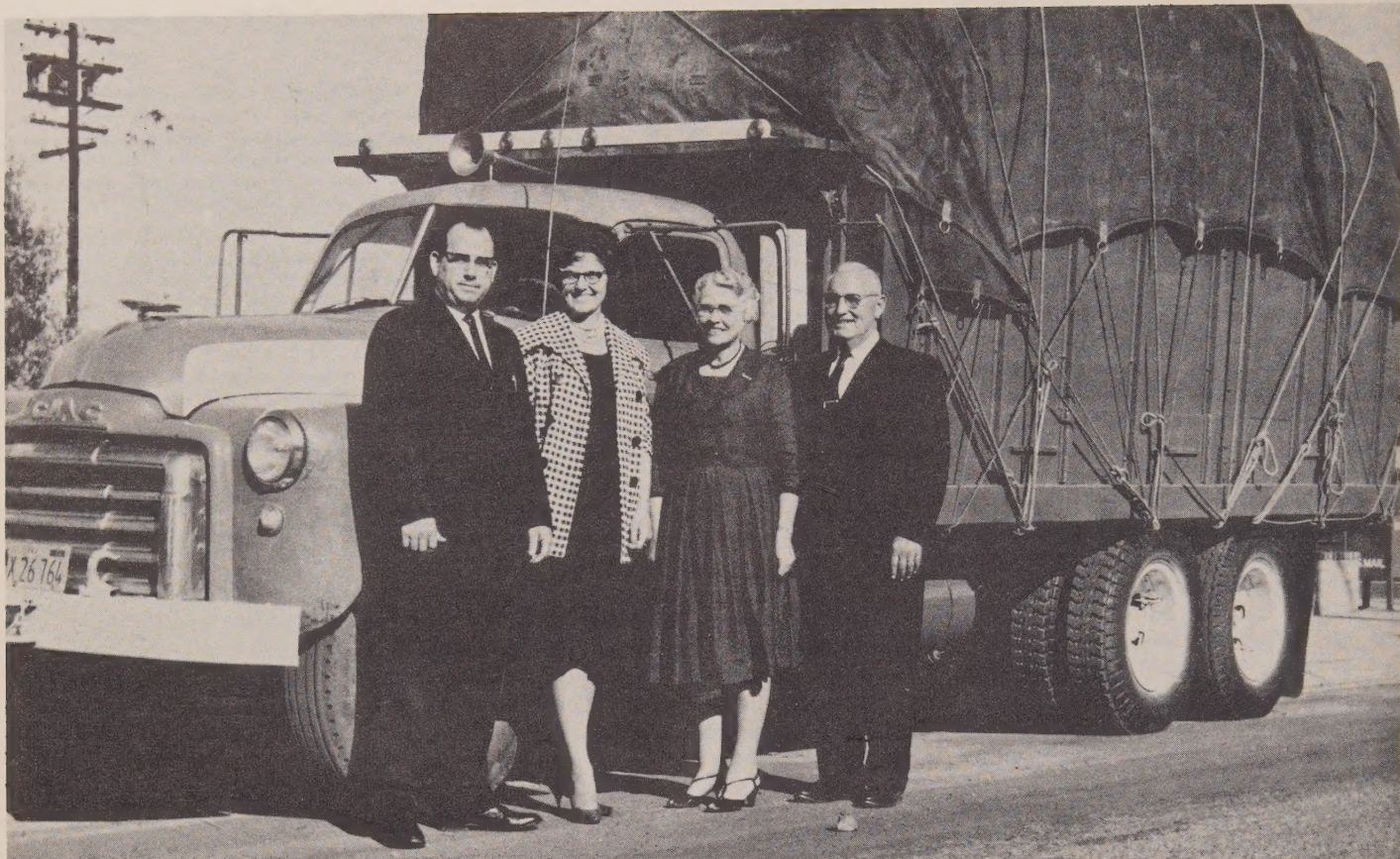
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MR. AND MRS. STEWART DERICKSON of Escalon left November 12 with this large truck loaded with good clothing and bedding for the Cuban refugees. Mr. Derickson, who has his own trucking business felt led of God to donate his time and truck for this emergency mission. Our missionary, Kathleen Belknap, who worked in Havana, Cuba, is now ministering in the Evangelical Refugee Center in Miami, Florida, and told of the dire need to have useful articles to give from the Center so that opportunity is opened to reach refugee hearts with the Gospel.

God did a miracle in providing this large amount of clothing within two weeks. One ton and seventy pounds was packed from the WMC Commissary in Santa Cruz, while many WMC groups in the District worked long hours, preparing, sorting, and packing things brought by their local church folk. Orville Johnson, a merchant in Escalon, gave 104 pairs of new shoes. Appreciation is expressed to all who gave to help meet this emergency call.



LOVELY TOYS ARE MADE BY OUR MISSIONETTES and are given to the Foreign and Home missionary children. Our missionaries to the American Indians give for Christmas the hand made dolls and gifts made by our girls to the Indian children attending their Sunday School.

Numerous requests continue to come to the W.M.C. office for Missionette information concerning the organization of Missionette Clubs, while at the same time reports are received telling of God's blessing upon the work and lives of many young girls. Let us encourage you to begin the New Year by starting a Missionette Club in your church if you do not have one. Write to the Missionette Department, P. O. Box 961, Santa Cruz, for additional information.



MORE ABOUT . . .

LUTHERANS STUDY 'SPEAKING IN TONGUES'

(Continued from page 7)

When a Christian speaks in tongues, the Standard explained, he makes ecstatic utterances that cannot be identified as human language except by the gift of interpretation. This "spiritual speaking" known among theologians as "glossolalia," goes back to Christ's apostles where, according to Acts 2:4, they "began to speak with other tongues" when they were "filled with the Holy Ghost."

In modern times, this phenomenon has been associated primarily with the Pentecostals, but two years ago it was reported that it was taking place within the Protestant Episcopal Church and some of the other historic denominations. Some of the ALC pastors and laymen reportedly received the "gift" of "Spiritual speaking" after associating with Episcopalians.

Dr. Fredrik A. Schiotz, president of the American Lutheran Church commented on these experiences in his report to the ALC district conventions during the past summer. "The American Lutheran Church is a part of the Church of Jesus Christ," he said. "As such it welcomes the exercise of any gifts that the Holy Spirit may bestow on the believer. But the Church would also be remiss if it did not remind its members that 'speaking in tongues' is one of the lesser gifts. It is useful in the believer's private worship; but it is not a requirement for salvation. Nor is it a badge of merit to be displayed on the coat lapel. All believers are inspired by one and the same Spirit who apportions to each one individually as he wills' — II Cor. 12:11"

(The Pentecostal Testimony,
Nov. 1962)

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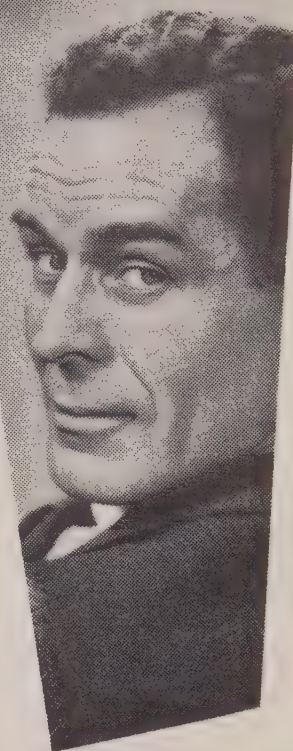
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Pastor Phil Lindval sped us quickly from class to class for observation of the activities. We observed that the teachers each had a sincerity about them that was as intent as any missionary who was facing the natives of a foreign land.

The children listened to the well-planned lessons whether the class was in a lovely patio of a neighbor's house or a garage where cars park at night.

Pastor Lindval feels that this is a means of taking the gospel to the unchurched of any community.

Picture I—Jan Richardson meets with her group of approximately 30 on the front lawn in the neighborhood.

Picture II—Karen Niles and class in a rear patio.

Picture III—Anne Norgren taught 15 boys and girls in this garage.

Picture IV—Judy Brannon and her class of four (small crowd today).

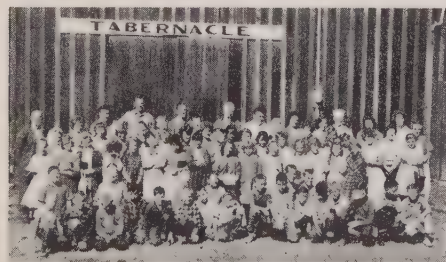


REDWOOD CAMP

There were 59 campers in attendance at our Eureka Redwood Camp.

There were 13 who accepted Christ as Saviour and 9 who received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

With Rev. Dave Hines acting as the camp evangelist, the campers entered into every activity with enthusiasm. The camp proved to be very successful as the result of the work of the excellent staff of counselors and Director Rev. R. O. Shamp.



DAVIS SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rev. Melvin T. Johnson, pastor of the Davis Assembly of God, reports nearly 100 boys and girls registered for the V. B. S. conducted during August. From the V.B.S., pastor Johnson states "many new contacts have been made with families not presently connected with the Davis Assembly."

Davis Assembly of God is a home missions church sponsored by Neighborhood Church, Modesto.

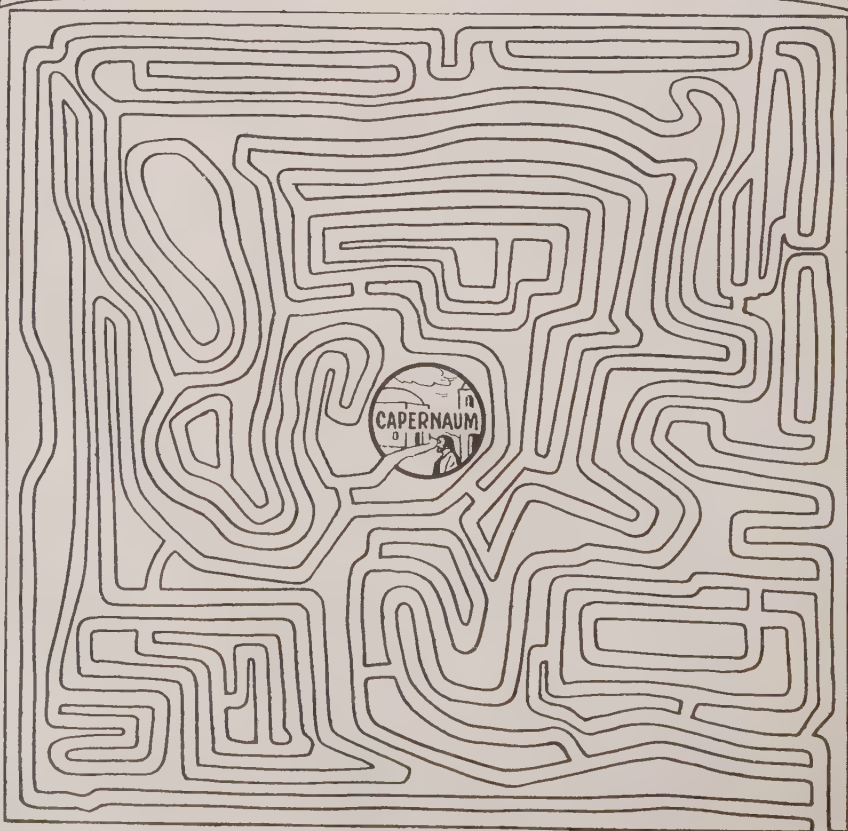


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When song visuals are made they should be sturdy enough to allow the children to handle them. The children enjoy using these visualized songs. The visuals are passed to them in various ways. Some Sundays they find the visuals on their chairs as they enter Sunday School. Other Sundays they are hidden to be found by the early comer, or they are given to everyone just before singing time. During our singing time the children stand up at the appropriate time in the song and display their visual. This also helps maintain attention. On some Sundays we give visuals only to special students; birthday children, visitors, the quiet ones, or the ones who know last week's memory verse or lesson.

Some songs are visualized with pictures only, while others include words with the pictures. Visualize your songs in these ways:

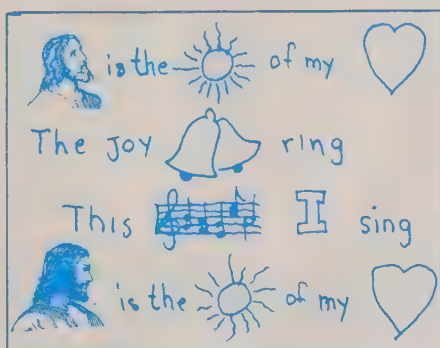
(1) Flannelgraph pictures: Taken for back-dated visuals or from children's books and are entirely backed with flannel to make them sturdy as well as usable. These pictures can be placed on the flannelboard by one or several children.

(2) Flashcards: These are made by putting each picture on a separate sheet of heavy construction paper. Using the same color of construction paper for each song helps to identify them. This way you can announce the 'color' of the song before singing it and the children with that color will know they are "on." For example use blue paper for pictures to the song, "The Birds Up in the Treetops," red paper for "Moses Crosses the Red Sea," and so on. This system also keeps your visuals organized automatically. Another flashcard visual is

illustrated below for "Jesus Loves the Little Children." Have the participating children put their circle to their face at the appropriate time.

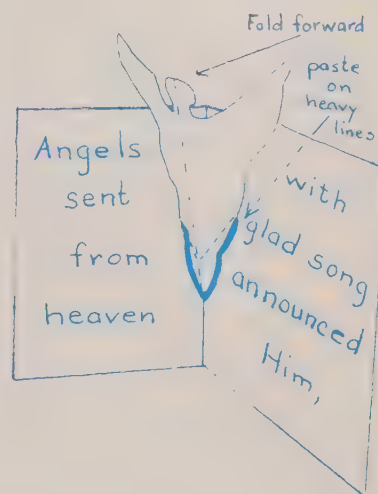


(3) Song charts: These are made from poster board or cardboard and are used separately as a flashcard, or can be held together with rings if, for instance, a particular song requires more than one chart. Usually an entire verse can be placed on one chart. The best procedure is to use both pictures and words on these charts.



(4) Picture books: These are made of light cardboard and are held together with rings of strong cloth tape. In such books, both pictures and words can be used. Pop-up pictures in these books are easy to make by folding an extra picture in the top center of a page as shown in the illustration below. You can also make individual song books for every mem-

ber of your class. In these song books, one picture on one page may stand for one song or a song can be illustrated on one page with several



ber of your class. In these song books, one picture on one page may stand for one song or a song can be illustrated on one page with several pictures. Here again, back dated Sunday School paper pictures are good. The picture of Jesus blessing the children could illustrate the song "Jesus Loves Me". Be sure to number the pages so the child can select a number from his "song book." A large class book could be made to duplicate the individual books by using the corresponding pictures from the Primary Picture Roll.

(5) Objects: Use a flashlight for songs pertaining to light; a crown for "A Crown to Win"; a Bible for any Bible song, and other illustrative objects. Object pictures can also be made to illustrate songs, as a sun for "I'll Be A Sunbeam," and a happy cup to illustrate "My Cup Runneth Over" (turn cup upside down for empty sad cup).



No matter what kind of song visual you use, they will add vitality and variety to your Sunday School song time and will cause the children to know the meaning and words of the song.

Sacramento CA in Revivaltime Choir

Gwen Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hall of Sacramento, California, has been selected to participate in the forty-voice 1962-63 *Revivaltime* choir.

A freshman at Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Missouri, Gwen is majoring in music. She is a graduate of San Juan high school in Sacramento and attends the Roseville First Assembly of God.

As a member of the *Revivaltime* choir, Gwen will participate in two major tours, some weekend trips, and one-night services. Next June approximately twenty-five choir members will participate in a thirty-day tour of the Northeastern States and eastern Canada. Cyril McLellan, music instructor at CBI, directs the *Revivaltime* choir.

14 Gwen, as a choir member, has become a part of the *Revivaltime* team ministering to more than 12,000,000 persons in the continental United States and many more millions abroad. *Revivaltime*, radio voice of the 8,273 Assemblies of God churches, is currently heard over 400 stations, forty-seven of which are outside the continental United States.



TESTIMONY

"The goodness of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting," and once again I acknowledge His mercy and healing power. I was prayed for during the 1962 Bethany Park Campmeeting by the Fox Party on July 7th, and God healed me of a thyroid condition which had been pending surgery for over a year.

Not only do I thank Him for this deliverance but for the experience of His presence and power which was manifested in such a personal

way that only the words, 'How Great Thou Art,' can express it."

Goldie E. Olson
Santa Cruz, California

OUR COVER THIS MONTH

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BELLS OF BETHLEHEM

(Continued from page 3)

word." Aged Simeon prayed, "Now let thy servant depart in peace for mine eyes have seen thy salvation."

Another Christmas is here. In Bethlehem Protestants, Roman Catholics, Greek Orthodox and Coptics will observe their respective rites. But who will see the Babe as He was on that first Christmas? Beyond the candles and incense, the shrines and souvenirs sales, beyond the pilgrims and tourists, where is the Christ-child? The rustic manger disappeared centuries ago. All that remains is the message of the bells. Christ is born!

This Christmas, will you seek him too? Past the tinsel and colored lights, the Christmas tree and greeting cards, the gold and silver ribbon. He is not there. See Him again as the Babe, the gift God, born to become the Savior of the world. Then only then, will the true meaning of Bethlehem's bells be understood.

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